

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 1, lines 3-4:

Change the title of the invention to:

"Crimping Unit and Method of Crimping Flat Cable"

Page 11, change the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT Abstract of the Disclosure:

~~The present invention relates to a~~ A unit for automatically crimping ribbons of flexible flat cable ~~(10), said ribbon comprising at least one branch (12) onto which a connector (11, 13) is to be crimped, said unit being characterized in that it comprises:~~ has a guide surface ~~(15)~~ on which ~~the a~~ ribbon of flat cable ~~(10)~~ travels ~~[[, - a]]~~. A number of crimping stations ~~(14a, 14b, 14c)~~ are arranged vertically offset plumb with the plane of the guide surface ~~(15)~~ and designed to crimp a connector ~~(11, 13)~~ onto ~~the an~~ end of a branch ~~(12), and a~~ of the flat cable. A number of tilting ramps ~~(18a, 18b, 18c)~~ which have a first end even with the plane of the guide surface when they are in the tilted state and a second end even with a crimping station, ~~said ramp being arranged in the opposite direction to the direction of travel of the ribbon, each .~~ The ramp ~~being designed to tilt~~ tilts toward the guide surface on command so that a predetermined branch ~~(12)~~ of the ribbon follows the ramp it encounters in its path as it travels along and so that it is directed to one

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travels along and so that it is directed to one of the
crimping stations where it receives a connector ~~(11, 13)~~.